

VIRGINIA LEAGUE IS IN FOR REGULAR WAR

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It was pure patriotism that actuated Mr. Elliott to withdraw his financial support from the Roanoke Club, an organization losing money and an organization representing the city in which he lives, and investing some \$10,000 in the Norfolk Club, in which city he does not live, but where the club usually makes a little money.

There was a real argument advanced in support of the schedule that takes the week-end games from the city that has put the most money into the coffers of the league. The only line of reasoning adopted was that when Richmond played at home Richmond received all of the grandstand money, and similarly, if the other clubs played at home they would receive the same. The only line of reasoning adopted was that when Richmond played at home Richmond received all of the grandstand money, and similarly, if the other clubs played at home they would receive the same.

However, every man present wished it distinctly understood that no blow was being aimed at Richmond. It was only the good of the league that actuated all. But Richmond is the only city to be affected, from which statement the conclusion is obvious.

Start From Wrong Premise.
Here is the meat of it: The men assembled established a premise and then from that premise they argued that they are right in their assumption.

ROLLER IS TO MEET SHAD LICK HERE TO-MORROW NIGHT

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thought better of it and quit. He gave as an excuse for not appearing that he had met with an accident. Some of the more unkind think differently, but that is neither here nor there. Shad Lick, who weighs 250 pounds, has been selected by Joe Turner to meet Roller. Lick is now in the class of all the heavyweights, outside of Roller. The Baltimorean has already tried conclusions with the doctor, and while unable to throw him, did stay with him for more than an hour. Since his meeting with Roller he has met and vanquished twice in one hour. Petroff, who styles himself champion of Belgium, who is now in the class of all the heavyweights, outside of Roller. Both of the big fellows thought it best to spend a few days before going on the mat, so that they might become acclimated. Roller is in no mood to be beaten. He would not much at stake. At present he is popularly regarded as Gutch's successor. Indeed, when Gutch was in active service, he more than once remarked that Roller was far the cleverer of the two and that if he possessed the champion's strength could throw him at will. To carry the mantle of world's heavy-weight champion means something more than purely a boxoffice standpoint, and Roller is not going to let the layer of golden eggs if he can help it.

On the other hand, Lick has everything to gain and nothing to lose, excepting his reputation. If he beats Roller to-morrow night, he will at once have carried the right to style himself world's champion heavy. He knows how valuable such a title is and he wants to win if he can. Roller is certain to be a popular favorite. The State and the people of Virginia are given an opportunity to witness two championship bouts, one in the middle-weight and another in the heavy-weight class, for one admission. And the public usually makes good things. This is why the prediction is made that a bumper house will greet the four men when they make their bow.

As to Alibi.
Another point of interest is that Turner promises to make an announcement regarding his stand in the Alibi controversy. The Norfolk club, which has been the subject of much here, is very anxious for another chance. Turner has made the statement publicly that he would not meet Alibi again. But Alibi will not say put and challenge for a match, make

they did the right thing. But if there is one flaw in their house of cards the slightest wind will be sufficient to demolish it. Cliches of the size of Petersburg, Portsmouth, Roanoke and Newport News cannot support continuous baseball. Yet this new schedule carries each of these clubs home for as many as nine games on a stretch. Given a winning club, these cities for a year or two will draw abnormally well, but once let the club get into a rut and struggle along toward the rear of the procession, and the home crowds dwindle to an insignificant size.

Newport News proved an exception last season. The shipbuilding centre drew remarkably well; in fact, outdrew Petersburg, with a pennant-winning club, though Matthews finished last and was in last place the greater part of the way. It is something, however, to have a club that loses consistently, and Alibi Horwitz, president of the club, openly made the assertion that people came to see the team down there because they were afraid a game might be won and they not be on hand.

Here is a prediction: If Newport News is to continue its present record, it will outdraw any club in the Virginia League next season. If Petersburg has a losing club, Petersburg will drop into the class with Roanoke and Portsmouth, and Portsmouth will draw as well one season as another, regardless of the standing of the team. Norfolk, with a winning team, should do fairly well. And here is the conclusion: The Virginia League will not last longer than July 15, if that long.

ing all kinds of charges and insinuations. Turner is not averse to meeting his rivals, and it is probable that he has changed his mind and will agree to again take on Alibi. At any rate, as announced, he will make his statement to-morrow night from the stage of the auditorium.

The first bout will begin promptly at 8:30 o'clock. Fred Westervelt, who is gaining something of a reputation as a referee, will again be the third man in the ring, making it positive that the men will be kept at work during every minute that they are on the mat. Women will be admitted free, as in all of the matches, and the purchasers of coupon tickets are entitled to any member of the greater sex.

Dr. Roller, who has been here several days, has made a number of friends already. It looks now as if it will be a Roller and Turner crowd, though Alibi and Monahan are sure to have their friends in the audience. Regardless of which way the sympathies of the crowd may turn, the one compelling fact is that it will be by far the greatest crowd ever offered the audience here. That is what will swell the attendance totals.

PLANK PUSHING WALSH'S RECORD

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credit, and the far from burly left-hander, fifty-five. It would be well for Ed Walsh to keep at his work during the next few days, for the champion's strength could throw him at will. To carry the mantle of world's heavy-weight champion means something more than purely a boxoffice standpoint, and Roller is not going to let the layer of golden eggs if he can help it.

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Pass Half-Century Mark.
Walsh and Plank are the only American League pitchers who have passed the half-century post in whitewashes. Ed Walsh had forty-seven shut-outs to his credit when he was sent to the minors, and Harry White, manager Venice, retired from the game this year to make room for a record of twenty-five shut-outs in his career. Ed Walsh's record. Eddie Joss pitched forty-four shut-outs for the Naps in

THREE COLT HOPEFULS



George Letton, pitcher with a record; Lloyd T. Hamney and Cecil Gray, out fielders.

he passed over to the great majority, and Cy Young used the brush forty-three times before he returned to the American League. George Mullin's thirty-four shut-outs numbered thirty-four, Jack Powell's, thirty-one, Bill Donovan's, twenty-nine, Frank Smith's, twenty-six, Tom Hughes's, twenty-four, Eddie Killian's, twenty-three, Barney Pelt's, twenty-two, Bill Dinnens's, twenty-two, and Al Orth's, twenty. "Chick" Bender has kept his adversaries away from the plate in thirty conflicts; Jack Coombs in twenty-eight, and Joe Wood in twenty-four.

Walsh has used the brush often on the Red Sox, whom he has blanked on fifteen occasions. Plank's chief victims have been the Tigers, who have failed to get a tally off of Gettysburg Eddie in ten games. "Tub" Waddell shut-out the Red Sox a dozen times while he was an American League pitcher. Johnson delights in blanking the Yankees, having presented them with eleven complete sets of goose eggs.

Longest Runless Battle.
The longest runless battle in the American League was played in Detroit on July 16, 1909, between the Tigers and the Nationals. It lasted eighteen innings. "Kickapoo" Summers, pitching for the home forces, and "Dolly" Gray and Bob Groom, for the invading army. On August 4, 1910, Chicago and Philadelphia fought for sixteen innings without either contestant scoring. On April 29, 1912, the White Sox-Brown contest, Scott and Bauman, pitcher and catcher, called at the end of the fifteenth without any one having crossed the plate.

The record shut-out score for an American League game is 21 to 0, made by Detroit against Cleveland, on September 15, 1901, when George Stallings was managing the Tigers, and Jim McLeer was tossing the Naps.

The shut-out victims of Walsh, Plank, Johnson, Bender, Coombs, and Wood are enumerated below:
Walsh—fifty-six; Kalsomining jobs—over Boston, 15; Washington, 7; Philadelphia, 8; Detroit, 7; St. Louis, 7; Cleveland, 4; Detroit, 2; Washington, 2; Boston, 1.
Plank—fifty-five; Kalsomining jobs—over St. Louis, 11; Detroit, 10; Boston, 7; Chicago, 5; Washington, 7; New York, 6; Cleveland, 4; Milwaukee, 3; Philadelphia, 2; Detroit, 1.
Johnson—forty-five; Kalsomining jobs—over New York, 11; Philadelphia, 7; Cleveland, 4; Detroit, 3; Boston, 3; Chicago, 3; Washington, 2; Philadelphia, 2; Detroit, 1.
Bender—thirty; Kalsomining jobs—over St. Louis, 5; New York, 5; Cleveland, 4; Detroit, 2; Washington, 2; Boston, 1.
Coombs—twenty-eight; Kalsomining jobs—over Washington, 7; St. Louis, 5; Cleveland, 4; New York, 4; Boston, 3; Chicago, 3; Detroit, 2; Philadelphia, 2; Washington, 2; Boston, 1.
Wood—twenty-four; Kalsomining jobs—over New York, 8; Chicago, 4; St. Louis, 4; Washington, 3; Cleveland, 2; Philadelphia, 2; Detroit, 1.

AMERICAN CAR FINISHES FIRST, BREAKING RECORD

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boy Oldfield, his most persistent opponent the other day, was eliminated by a bad motor ten laps from the finish.
Pullen covered the 403 miles in five hours, thirteen minutes, setting a new mark of 73.2 miles an hour, made against the record of 74.45, established by Caleb Brage, at Savannah, by 1911. Guy Ball, second, finished in 5:02:23, making a speed of 68.4 miles an hour. R. S. Taylor took third place when Gil Anderson's car broke down and lost second place six laps from the finish.

His time was 6:08:29. De Palma, who had held the lead for several laps, was declared out of the race on the thirty-fifth lap, but got back in time to limp over the finish line and claim fourth.

Injured Man Escapes.
Marquis was far in the lead in the thirty-fifth lap when he took a turn at too high speed, and his machine slid down to a stop over several turns. The accident occurred at a turn known as "death curve," although no driver ever had been killed there.
The machine, a big English car, stepped rolling, and rested on the driver's body. It was reported at first that Marquis was fatally injured, and he remained unconscious for two hours, but surgeons to-night declared he would recover. Pullen took the same car in which he dashed into an iron barricade Thursday while leading in the Vanderbilt race. He barely escaped a similar mishap to-day when a spectator walked out on the track and forced him to swerve into a curb, ripping off two tires. Pullen renewed his wheels and re-entered his race with the loss of but a few minutes. Tedy Tetzlaff, who set the course record of 78.72 miles, which still stands, was out of the race early. He covered several laps to-day at the rate of 57 miles an hour. The troubles and the halting of motor and bearings forced him to quit.

Wholesale Elimination.
The wholesale elimination of cars began in the twentieth lap. A pace of close to eighty miles an hour apparently was too much for many of them. Engine troubles developed rapidly, and one by one the cars dropped out. Pullen began his climb to first place in the twentieth lap. He was fourth then, and going seventy-nine miles an hour. Marquis, who held the lead until his accident in the thirty-fifth, set the pace, and Pullen successively passed Anderson and De Palma. Pullen's prize money was \$3,000. The two next prizes went to Los Angeles drivers, Hall and Taylor, who drew \$2,000, and \$1,500, respectively. De Palma added \$1,000 to his money by finishing fifth. Taylor plugged into third place with a car which he had picked up as just being bought for \$250.

This was Taylor's second race with the old machine, and his time for the last ten laps averaged sixty-five miles an hour.
A cheering throng, estimated at nearly 150,000, lined the course at 10 o'clock to-day when seventeen entrants faced the starter. William Carlisle, entry No. 5, was kept out by a broken axle.
The first car to start was driven by Tedy Tetzlaff. After Tetzlaff the cars went at fifteen-second intervals in the following order:
No. 1—Spencer Wishart.
2—G. H. Anderson.
3—Edwin Pullen.
4—Caleb Brage.
5—Barney Oldfield.
6—Earl Cooper.
7—Frank Gooden.
8—Ralph de Palma.
9—J. B. Marquis.
10—Charles Mutch.
11—Dave Leads.
12—Guy Ball.
13—Frank Verbeck.
14—Tony Jeannette.
15—R. H. Rickenbacher.

FEDERAL LEAGUE DIVIDES PLAYERS

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The managers of seven teams met and showed their list of players. Otto Knabe, manager of Baltimore, was ill and forced to stay at home. Later the club owners met with the managers, and then went into secret session. All efforts to get from managers or magnates the names of the players involved in trades failed, but a complete roster was promised the public next week. Twenty-five "stars," who had not been connected with any club, but signed by President Gilmore,

for the "league," were awarded to teams in need of them.
The managers' session was peaceful, according to their statements afterward. Some of the leaders did not get all they wanted and others were disappointed at losing one or two men they thought they were sure of. Manager Tinker said he had lost three men, one of whom he had hoped especially to keep, but said he had retained Zelder, who was wanted by Brooklyn.

After World Gridiron.
There are several ball players on the work who are wanted by the Federals, and new league leaders will be at the pier in New York to meet them when they land. The players are Tris Speaker, of the Boston Americans; Sam Crawford, of Detroit, who is wanted to manage the Brooklyn team; Gatcher Wingo, St. Louis National; Leo Magee, St. Louis National; Mike Dolan, the Philadelphia National shortstop; Outfielder Evans, St. Louis National; and Pitcher Leyer, of the St. Louis Americans. President Gilmore says he expects to offer them inducements they can hardly resist.

Play 154 Games.
The league schedule will include 154 games. It was positively decided to-night. The opening date was not set, but April 25, some days after the American and National Leagues have begun their race, was favored. A schedule meeting probably will be held in Baltimore the latter part of March. President Gilmore, explaining that he did not mean his league and organized baseball had reached a peace agreement, declared he was confident William Killifer and George Castler, pitcher, as well as others, would join the Federal League teams which he claimed then, and that there would be no trouble over it.

"We do not expect that either the Federal League or organized baseball will have to seek redress in the courts," he said. Killifer is reported to have joined the Philadelphia Nationals at their training camp, though the Federals declare they hold his contract. Every one of the Federal teams will be in training quarters by March 19. It was announced to-night. The practice grounds are Kansas City, Wichita Falls, Texas, Indianapolis, Wichita, Falls, Texas, Pittsburg, Lynchburg, Va., St. Louis, Monroe, La., Buffalo, Danville, Va.; Brooklyn, Columbia, S. C.; Baltimore, Southern Pines, N. C.; Chicago and Shreveport, La.

SPIDERS EXPECT TO LAND CONTEST

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successful season, for if the Spiders succeed in taking the scalp of the boys from Williamsburg, they will have a perfectly clear and indisputable title to the championship of the Eastern circuit. Intercollegiate League. In honor of this victorious season, they will be awarded the first cup in basketball that has ever been awarded between the four colleges constituting the league.
A victory over the "Loonies" Wednesday night will be a fitting climax to a

GOLF BEGINS AT COUNTRY CLUB

Golf has begun at the Country Club of Virginia and players of the course yesterday brought some good cards. All of the holes are open but only one of the game will crowd the links from now on.

season that has been full of the hardest kind of luck and the seemingly most insurmountable obstacles.

Every man on the squad has worked faithfully from the start of the season, and not the slightest friction between the boys has ever existed. Captain Luebert has made an almost ideal leader, always bristling with energy and power, with a great deal of natural ability, and a spirit that recognized defeat only after the last whistle had blown. The rest of the team has imbibed this spirit, and it was never shown better than last Wednesday, when, with the score heavily against them, the Spiders slowly but steadily advanced until the end of the game saw them victors. Little Bob Brock has an almost phenomenal eye for the basket, and makes up with lightning-like speed whatever he may lack in weight. Heubel, at center, is one of the best all-around men on the team, a good shot, a high jumper, and is practically sure to have the other man on the go before the end of the game. And in Satterfield and Mitchell, the Spiders have a pair of very formidable guards, both very fast and making good units in the passing of the team. It is seldom that a pair of forwards can be so good as these two boys. And then, in the substitutes, there are three boys who are so good that they can all be put in at a moment's notice at any position and adapt themselves immediately to the needs of that particular place. Robbins and MacDougal are both old John Marshall boys, and Newton, the other substitute, is a "variety" football end of no mean ability.

BOWLING TOURNAMENT IS NEARING FINISH

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led all in Class B singles, the Olympic five-men team ranked second among the Class B teams; the Athletics are in the fourth place, the five-men team, and Colonel G. C. Burgess is leader of the Class C singles.

Standing of Men.
Following is the schedule for to-morrow night:

Class A—Singles.

Agriculture, Washington, D. C., 2,716

Chamber of Commerce, Washington, D. C., 2,703

Pilgrimage, Washington, D. C., 2,694

Manhattan, Washington, D. C., 2,690

Kriegerbocker, Washington, D. C., 2,688

Olympics, Petersburg, 2,685

Kickapoo, Baltimore, 2,678

Baltimore, Baltimore, 2,675

Palace, No. 2, Richmond, 2,638

Class B—Singles.

Athletics, Petersburg, 2,315

Vaughan-Robertson Drug Com., 2,287

Goulds, Petersburg, 2,193

Richmond Dairy Company, Richmond, 2,148

Newport News, 2,127

Class C—Singles.

Field and Kraus, Washington, 1,176

Barber and Peck, Washington, 1,165

Jacobson and McKnew, Washington, 1,167

Milner and Peck, Washington, 1,096

Leutebecker and Smith, Baltimore, 1,076

Class D—Singles.

Doble and Harrison, Petersburg, 1,130

Donohue and Mitchell, Washington, 1,074

Hanner and Myers, Washington, 1,045

Watson and Houser, Washington, 994

Staub and Werner, Washington, 983

Class E—Singles.

Scott and Andrews, Petersburg, 556

Smith and B. Williams, Richmond, 551

Gill and Edwards, Petersburg, 551

Froman and Nickols, Richmond, 551

Dawson and Alley, Petersburg, 529

Class A—Singles.

Hardie, Washington, 606

Williamson, Washington, 606

McKnew, Washington, 582

Garman, Washington, 582

Brus, Baltimore, 672

Class B—Singles.

Piers, Petersburg, 552

Albers, Washington, 551

Milovich, Washington, 551

Donohue, Washington, 572

Watson, Washington, 563

Class C—Singles.

G. C. Burgess, Petersburg, 563

Robins, Richmond, 563

Butler, Richmond, 496

Andrews, Petersburg, 484

Schedule for Monday Night.

Doubles at 8:30 P. M.

Barrow and Williams, Class A, 2, 4, 7

Roy and Overman, Class B, 3, 5, 8

Smith and Blair, Class C, 4, 7, 2

Suterlin and Flinn, Class D, 6, 8, 3

Billy and Martin, Class E, 7, 2, 4

Singles at 9 P. M.

Bailey and Whitman, Class A, 2, 4, 7

McFarland and partner, Class B, 3, 5, 8

Gilbert and Arden, Class C, 4, 7, 2

Wade and Cook, Class D, 6, 8, 3

Smith and Williams, Class E, 7, 2, 4

C. H. Cosby and A. M. Smith, Class F, 8, 1, 6

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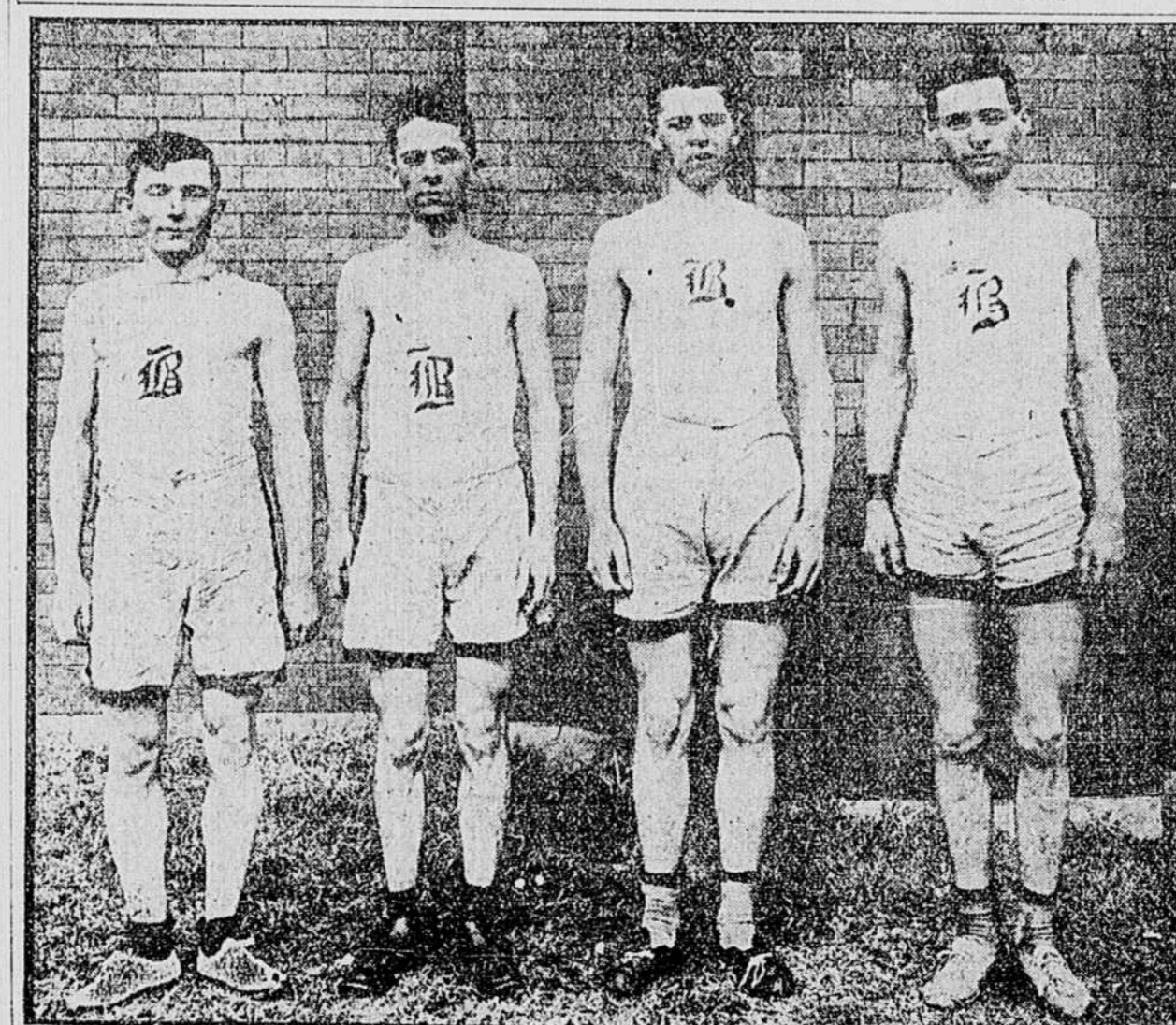
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BENEDICTINE COLLEGE RELAY TEAM



They are, left to right—Binns, Kulp, Street, West. This team will race in Washington next Saturday in the Georgetown game.

CORNELL FENCERS LOSE TO MIDDIES

Annapolis, Md., February 25.—The fencers of the Naval Academy defeated Cornell here to-day by six bouts to three. Besides the bouts with the fells, there were three exhibition bouts, two of which were won by the Navy and one by Cornell. Hans, the Navy captain, won all three of his bouts.

MIDDY WRESTLERS DEFEAT PENNSY